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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

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- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/12/2005
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- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/12/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/12/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/26/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/12/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/12/2005

Applicant's response filed 06/26/2006 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 04/27/2006 have not been completed.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - Missing Inventor Signature (Gross, Thomas, Carsten)

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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